

March 15, 2021 Renewed Permit No. QC 1169

PERMIT TO IMPORT ONION BULB SEEDLING FROM TEXAS FOR PLANTING OR PROPAGATION

Under authority of Title 3, California Code of Regulations, Section 3154 (Secretary May Issue Special Permits), permission is granted to:

Bejo Seeds, Inc. 1972 Silver Spur Place Oceano, CA 93445

to import into California approximately 120,000 pounds of bagged onion bulb seedlings, that would otherwise be prohibited under Section 3261, Title 3, California code of Regulations, under the following conditions:

- 1. The onion bulb seedlings are free of soil and the roots are clipped and the bulbs are bagged.
- 2. The onion bulb seedlings were grown in Hidalgo County, Texas. The onion seedlings were planted in the October 2020 and harvested March and April 2021.
- 3. Prior to shipping to California, the onion bulb seedlings have been stored in Texas at:

Bejo Seeds Inc 11023-11309 N Expressway 281 Edinburg, TX 78541

4. The onion bulb seedlings shall be shipped to Bejo Seeds' research station in Kern County at:

Bejo Seeds, Inc. 13734 Rock Pile Road Arvin, CA 93203

- 5. The shipment shall be accompanied by an original Texas Department of Agriculture phytosanitary certificate with an additional declaration stating, "The onion bulb seeds in this shipment meet the conditions of Permit No. QC 1169 for Ozonium Root Rot."
- 6. The soil and the roots from the clipped bulbs have been tested and found free of plant parasitic nematodes of quarantine concern to California and the testing result shall be sent to this office prior to shipment.



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- 7. The shipment is subject to inspection upon arrival. Any shipment found to be in violation of the terms of this permit or found to be infested with a serious plant pest shall be rejected. The receiver shall contact the Kern County Agricultural Commissioner's office upon arrival for planting at telephone number (661)-868-6300.
- 8. Violation of or inability to meet any of the conditions of this permit, or the detection of any live serious plant pest in a shipment authorized by this permit, shall be sufficient cause of immediate revocation of this permit and destruction of the material, or return of the material to origin at the expense of the permittee.

Violation of any of the conditions of this permit shall be sufficient cause for its immediate revocation.

Unless earlier revoked, this permit is valid through March 31, 2022.

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